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4AN, Oct. 17 (Petra) xor General of the Arab onr Organisation Al imi Al Banani arrived today for a three-day visit dan. Mr. Banani will hold with officials at the ur Ministry on the mentation of resolutions d by the ninth Arab r conference in Tripoli farch. Among the topics liscussed are the freedom le unions and their rights, ag dialogues between wees and employers and agreements on trade s. Mr. Banani is currently ig a number of Arab which are members of rab Labour Organisation.

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.UT, Oct. 17 (R) tine Liberation Organ-on (PLO) Chairman r Arafat returned today an Asian tour which took to China, North Korea, 1 and Vietnam and preto leave tomorrow for in Moscow. Mr. Arafat spend three days in the it Union at the head of a level team, the PLO paper Falastin Al Thawra ted. It said the visit was cted to achieve tangible ical and military results. e included raising the diptic status of the PLO. : in Moscow and providing ommando movement with sticated weapons to pro-

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Palestinian refugee camps.

Doctors urge 'new page' in Iraqi-Iranian relations

The doctors, who "emphasise

their support for Iraq in its quest

waters and territory," called on

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Shah of Iran occupied in 1971.

The statement condemned

Israel's attack last June on the

Iraqi nuclear reactor, which came

in implementation of the

imperialist-Zionist policy of

checking the progress of the Arabs

and keeping them prisoner to sci-

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The statement said the con-

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Medical Union and the Jordan

Medical Association, denounced

"repeated Iranian attacks, on

The congress agreed that the

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AMMAN, Oct. 17 (J.T.) - More Zionism."

than 1,000 Arab doctors warned today of the "grave dangers" inherent in the continuation of the to regain its legitimate rights to its Iraqi-Iranian war and called on the Tehran government to "open a new page" in its relations with Iran to "restore to Arab sovereignty" the three tiny Gulf Baghdad. and Greater Tunb, which the late

A statement at the end of the 19th pan-Arab Medical Congress said participants in the three-day annual meeting "warn of the grave dangers resulting from the continuation (of the Gulf war), which will introduce to the region foreign and imperialist intervention under the guise of maintaining the security and stability of the Ara-. bian Gulf and guaranteeing the flow of oil" from the region.

The doctors, who represent medical associations in 12 Arab countries and the Palestine Liberation Organisation, also warned that the 13-month old Gulf war "can produce a rupture in those forces confronting the (alliance of) the Zionist enemy and the partners to Camp David."

one," and called for "the They called on Iran to "open a economic and cultural boycott of new page in Iraqi-Iranian relations, based on mutual respect for the United States by all means the rights of both sides and noninterference in the internal affairs statement. of either side and finding a formula for cooperation between "strategic cooperation" between them to face imperialism and the United States and Israel

renders the Zionist state and arsenal for American weapons with the aim of controlling the Arab region.'

The doctors condemned "the inhuman practices by the Israeli military government (in the occupied Arab territories) which have led to the grave deterioration of health and medical situation in the occupied Arab territories."

They said they would mount a world-wide campaign to "expose" Israel's refusal to allow the establishment of Arab hospitals in Hebron and Gaza.

The congress condemned "all attempts to split Lebanon into mini-states that will become toys in the hands of foreign powers."

They also condemned renegade Lebanese army major, Saad Haddad, as a "traitor and an agent of imperialism and Zionism," as well as Israel's "barbaric attacks" against the Lebanese and Palestinian peoples.

United States and Israel constitute the Arab nation's "enemy number! They viewed with "grave concern" the "deteriorating conditions in southern Lebanon" and called on the Arab states to "protect southern Lehanon and supavailable," according to the port its inhabitants in their stead-It said the recently-announced fastness against Zionist, imperialist and sectarian schemes against

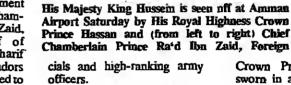
King leaves for talks with Arab leaders

BAGHDAD, Oct. 17 (Petra) - His Majesty King Hussein arrived in Baghdad today at the start of a tour of Arab states to discuss with their leaders the Arab situation, current developments and inter-Arab relations.

King Hussein was met at the airport by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, senior gov-ernment officials and members of the Iraqi Revolutionary Command Council and cahinet members. The King is accompanied by

Prime Minister Mudar Badran, Chief of the Royal Court Ahmad Al Lawzi and Court Minister Amer Khammash.

They were seen off at Amman Airport by His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, President of the National Consultative Council Ahmad Al Tarawneh, Speaker of the Upper House of Parliament Bahjat Talhouni, Chief Chamberlain Prince Ra'd Ibn Zaid, Commander-in-Chief of Armed Forces Lt. Gen. Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker, ambassadors of Arab countries accredited to Jordan and several senior offi-



Before the King's departure,

Minister Marwan Al Oasen, Court Minister Ammer Khammash, and Chief of the Royal Court Ahmad Al Lawzi (Petra photo)

ing Finance Minister Salem Masa'deh as Acting Prime decree was issued also appoint-Minister.

Interior minister cannot remember how many Cairo hauls in 'most of those wanted'

damentalists and other dissidents bave been arrested since the assassination of President Anwar Sadat, according to military and diplomatic sources. Interior Minister Nabavi Ismail

confirmed today that there had been a "limited" number of arrests, but refused to disclose fig-

are simply arresting anyone they Mubarak, also affected political opponents. The small, extreme-. suspect. left National Progressive Unionist The authorities sharply stepped Party (NPUP) which opposes the up security at Cairo airport and Camp David agreement with around the embassies in the wake Israel, reported more than 80 of of two parcel bombs which its members arrested since the exploded in a Maltese airliner Oct. 6 assassination of Mr. Sadat. 2

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One military source, who

refused to be named, said most of

the new arrests were on a list of

7,000 fundamentalists whom Mr.

Sadat threatened with arrest last

In the Sept. 5 speech, the late

Khaled Mohieddin, secretary

general of the NPUP, said the new

arrests hrought the number of

party members now detained to

about 200. Another leftist politi-

cian who asked not to be identified

said "before the assassination, the

the place where Armageddon

would start and the president was

talking to me about scripture and I

was talking a little bit about scrip-

"And we got off -- and he inter-

In the book of Revelation.

The crackdown by Egypt's tough new president, Hosni

police tried to get the known lead- Arabic newspapers brought into ers of dissident groups. Now, they Egypt.

Campuses reported quiet

Cairo University, Egypt's biggest campus, was quiet when classes resumed today. A newlyestablished university police force checked identity cards and there was no sign of girl students in veils.

arriving from Libya earlier in the week, killing one haggage handler Campus authorities have talked of outlawing yells and galabiyas the traditional robes that have become a virtual uniform for the fundamentalists. Hundreds of students appeared to have obeyed instructions to shave off their beards.

U.S. credibility is at stake, Reagan defends Saudi deal

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (R) - maintain its credibility in the Mid-President Reagan says that Senate dle East.

approval for the sale of American In an interview with newspaper radar planes to Saudi Arabia is editors issued by the White House essential if the United States is to today, the president said he was

rate the two

the radio said.

guerrilla slogans.

further details.

Meanwhile, left-wing Mujahe-

deen guerrillas set fire to a bus,

killing two children and seriously

injuring between 30 and 40 peo-

ple in the southern city of Shiraz,

roamed Shiraz after the fire sbout-

ing anti-American and anti-

It also said revolutionary guards

had killed 13 Kurdish rebels and

wounded 22 near the north-

western towns of Bukan and

Delegation leaves for Moscow

in another development.

Tehran Radio said a delegation

headed by the housing minister

was going to Moscow for talks "on

Kamyaran two days ago.

approve the sale of Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS) aircraft to the Saudis.

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Crown Prince Hassan was sworn in as Regent. A royal

m hospital

N. Oct. 17 — (R) West ian Chancellor Heimut idt was discharged from tal today, four days after as fitted with a heart naker, a government. sman said. The chanwas fitted with the naker on Tuesday, a day be was taken to bospital vbat was at first said to be rish cold.

an: 'We have utentions ttack Libya'

(TOUM, Oct. 17 (A.P.) an bas no intentions of ng Libya and is acquirns only for "defensive es," the official Sudanews agency SUNA d today. "The current v measures are only for fence and the arms Sudan' will obtain from ited States are defensive as which Sudan had or a long time ago," the quoted an unidentified itative source as saying. urce said Sudan did not to attack Libya "or any yountry" and called on orth African state to all aggression and pull troops and equipment had and respect interal agreements and resoldvne ' according to SUNA.

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.T, Oct. 17 (R) - An ised source said today can forces had retaken strong-point of Gueita our after the biggest batthe six-year war in the n Sahara against guerof the Polisario Front. surce said mopping-up ons were now in prognd guerrilla survivors fleeing towards the, tanian frontier 40 tres east of the town.; urce gave no details of. an or guerrilla casualof the number of troops d but said it was the t battle since the o launched its fight in x independence of the

Spanish colony.

Iran wants Muslim world to unite under Khomeini

tant Shr ite Muslim day by bolding prayers across the country. 'Eid Ghadir, as the Iranians call it, is the day that the Prophet Mohammad designated his son-in-law Ali as his successor to lead the Mus-

lims. In a call to Muslims of the world to unite under the same banner, Ayatollah Hussein Ali Montazeri. considered Ayatollah Rubollah Khomeini's heir-apparent, said all Muslims should accept Ayatollah

Khomeini's leadership, according to Tehran Radio. Avatollah Montazeri said he hoped that the Muslims would unify under Ayatollah Khomeini's leadership to "break the bold of the East and West on their countries." He said be hoped the Muslim masses would soon achieve technical cooperation with Soviet officials." The radio gave no freedom and independence through establishing fundamentalist Islamic rule in their

The Moscow trip coincides with countries. a visit to Tehran by a Soviet deleg-Tehran Radio quoted Ayatollah Montazeri as saying that "the ation of 26 specialists who are studying "Iran after the revoluenemies of Islam wanted to separate religion from politics." He tion." according to Iran's news said that true Islam does not sepamedia.

IRA carbomb injures Royal Marines chief

LONDON, Oct. 17 (R) - The chief of Britain's Royal Marines. who had commanded troops in Northern Ireland, was badly wounded by a bomb which blew up his car outside his London home today.

In Dublin, the Irish Republican Army (IRA) claimed responsibility for the attack on Lt. Gen. Sir Steuart Pringle, 53, commandant-general of the Royal Marines. He suffered serious leg injuries.

- Guerrillas of the 1RA are fighting British rule in Northern Ireland in the cause of union with the neighbouring Irish Republic.
- The blast came only a week after the guerrillas admitted bombing a bus load of soldiers in London, killing two people.
- Police said the bomb in Gen. Pringle's car appeared to be similar to one used by Republican guerrillas in 1979 to kill Conservative Party Member of Parliament Airey Neave.
- The bomb ripped the roof off Sir Steuart's car as he drove off. A woman in a nearby bouse was injured. But the general's dog, with him in the car, was unhurt.
- An eyewitness said Gen. Pringle was still conscious when he was taken to hospital "but his legs were smashed and he was bleeding from the head."
- Sir Stenart also served in Malaysia, the Mediterranean, Indonesia, Pakistan and Norway since 1946.
- Police have been expecting an upsurge of guerrilla activity in Britain since a campaign of hunger strikes by imprisoned Republicans in Northern Ireland ended three weeks ago. Ten men fasted to death in support of demands for political status.
- Meanwhile in Northern Ireland, a car blew up 30 mmutes earlier in the parking lot of a golf course in Newcastle, County Down, south of Belfast. A police spokesman said one man was slightly burt.

He praised Saudi Arabia for helping to arrange a ceasefire in Lebanon this summer and for its leadership in the Arab World.

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"Now, this is what leads us to believe that with that kind of leadership and position in the Arah World that if we go forward with this AWACS deal, that we will have further strengthened our credibility with them and our peace-making ability in the Middle East," Mr. Reagan said.

The radio said angry crowds "If we don't, I believe we could lose all credibility and what could I say in trying to negonate with them in the future? They could say we don't know whether anything you tell us is right because you may not be able to deliver.".

> "I'm confident (of victory in the Senate)," Mr. Reagan said.

"I think we're going to get it because there are a number of them (senators) that have expressed themselves that regardless of their own personal feelings, they are concerned about interfering with the foreign policy effort that we're putting forth because we see ability to help in the peace-making process over in the Middle East. that the Saudi Arabians are very key to this."

At least 53 of the 100 senators are believed to oppose the AWACS sale, but Mr. Reagan has been lobbying hard in recent days and is gaining some votes.

He said the Palestinian issue remained central to Middle East peace but repeated the U.S. posnegotiations with the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) until it recognised Israel.

"I don't remember now," Mr. Ismail told reporters. "We hear some rumours, but don't believe it at all. I'll declare the full details

within two days." **Trouble in Mansoura**

month in his last public speech. Police sources in Cairo said there had been shooting incidents president said security men had involving police in the Nile Deta picked up nearly 1,600 alleged city of Mansoura last night and ringleaders of a wave of funthis morning, but that the details damentalist violence, and the were not known. The sources said 7,000 others would be picked up the incidents were reminiscent of in case of further trouble. The initial clasbes in the southern source said the new arrests have city of Asyut last week. more than doubled the number of Mr. Ismail said of the nationfundamentalists rounded up last wide sweep for persons conmonth. sidered a threat to the nation's internal security that "most of

those we've wanted have been arrested. There are still a minority on the run, but not many ... "They have begun to turn ... we

have found their hideouts, their dens, and arms and weapons."

Reagan invokes Bible this as very definitely a part of our to rap Soviet Union

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (A.P.) according to the Bible, would be - President Ronald Reagan interprets the Bible as saying that if a war breaks out in the Middle East "then Russia is going to become involved in it," a senator said after meeting with the pres-

"Well, we were talking about the fact that the Middle East, ment

Syria to retain forces in Lebanon

refused to remove them.

abroad."

including the ground-to-air mis-

siles, will remain in Lebanon to

defend its unity, integrity and

freedom and will continue assum-

ing their sacred pan-Arah duty

American imperialists (following

its deployment of the missiles in

DAMASCUS, Oct. 17 (R) -Defence Minister Mustafa Tlas said in an interview published today that Syria would retain its forces and anti-aircraft missiles in Lebanon until that country "is freed from all its enemies."

He told the government newspaper Tisbrin that missiles deployed in Lehanon earlier this year were part of Syria's military measures to defeno Lehanon.

Syria bas had a peace-keeping force of 30,000 in Lebanon since 1976 under an Arab League mandate following the civil war in the country. It installed the missiles in Lebanon's Bekaa Valley after Israeli aircraft shot down two Syrian belicopters in the area. Israel has been pressing for the

dismantling of the missiles and against Syria...." threatened to attack the.

He said no threats would force emplacements, but Syria bas Syria to go back on the determination to "strengthen our Gen. Thas said in the interview armed forces." today: "The Syrian armed forces,

"But all its threats have turned into more determination and additional backing to these forces, and there is no power on earth which can compel us to change our stands.

until Lebanon is freed of all its Gen. Thas affirmed that "the enemies, both at bome and missiles will remain in Lehanon as long as the Zionist aggression con-Gen. Tlas said "the uproar created by the Zionist enemy and the tinues.,"

"The men manning these missiles and all members of the Syrian Lebanon) was designed to find armed forces will teach the Zionist enemy a new unforgettable lesjustifications to step up the aggression and implement plots son," he said.

and reportedly mjuring other airport employees.

Air travellers arriving from abroad said security men were searching baggage not only for concealed weapons, but also were confiscating all non-Egyptian

MIDDLE EAST NEWS BRIEFS

Libya ready to counter Sudanese threat

BEIRUT, Oct. 17 (R) - A Libyan journalist said today his country was ready to defend itself against a threatened suicide attack by 600 Sudanese commandos. The Egyptian newspaper Al Ahram quoted Sudancse President Jaafar Numeiri yesterday as saying that the force would attack Tripoli. The political editor of the official Libyan news agency JANA said: "Let the ruler of Sudan try and come over with his suicide squad only to be burned to death and turned to ashes " Libya would not let the force enter its territory, be added. Al Ahram said it was told by the Sudanese leader that the commando group would leave its mark in Tripoli "and even in the house of (Libyan leader Muammar) Qadhafi."

Moi appeals to Libya, Sudan for restraint

NAIROBI, Oct. 17 (R) - Kenyan President Daniel Arap Moi, current chairman of the Organisation of African Unity (OAU). appealed to Libya today to exercise restraint in its relations with Sudan. Sudanese President Jaafar Numeiri has accused Libya of planning to invade his country. Last month Sudan shot down a Libyan aircraft near its border with Chad. In a message released here President Moi said: "It is in the interest of Africa that all necessary avenues for the resolution of this conflict must be explored fully and at any cost." President Moi also sent a message to President Numeiri urging restraint in Sudan's dealings with Libya.

Nixon calls for U.S. aid to Rabat

RABAT. Oct. 17 (R) - Former U.S. president ticbard Nixon called for increased U.S. military aid to Morocco today after talks with King Hassan. He told a news conference in the central Moroccan town of Fez that Rabat should get extra aid considering its long-standing friendly relations with the United States. "I think that as long as his majesty and the Moroccan government feel the need to defend the country's territorial integrity the United States ought to assist them," he said. Mr. Nixon, quoted by the Moroccan press agency MAP, had been asked about a missile attack on Moroccan planes last Tuesday by Polisario guerrillas who are fighting for independence in the disputed Western Sahara. Mr. Nixon, who left for Paris after a 36-hour visit to Morocco, said he bad discussed the Western Sahara, the Middle East and East-West relations with the king at Ifrane near Fez.

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Meloy's murder suspect released.

BEIRUT, Oct. 17 (R) — A young Lebanese was released from detention today after being held for nearly three years on suspicion of involvement in the murder of an American ambassador to Beirut in 1976, judicial sources said. The sources said investigators could not establish any link between Bassam Mohammad Ferkh and the murder of Ambassador Francis Meloy. Mr. Meloy, Economic Counsellor Robert Waring and their Lebanese driver were kidnapped on June 16, 1976, during the Lebanese civil war . They were all found shot dead the same day. The next day the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) announced that it had arrested three unnamed Lebanese who bad admitted taking part in the murder. It said they would be handed over to Arah peacekeeping forces in Lebanon, but their fate was never disclosed. Mr. Ferkh, who is now 27, was detained here in November 1978 after being deported from Canada as an undesirable alien.

ture," Mr. Heflin said. prets the Bihle as if in Armagedident yesterday. don then Russia is going to become involved in it," Mr. Heflin Sen. Hal Heflin, (Democrat, Alabama), said be and Mr. Reagan took up the subject while discussing the proposed sale of ition that there would be no radar warning planes to Saudi Armageddon is the site of the last Arabia battle between the forces of good and evil before the day of judg-

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ART REVIEW **Two artists** of promise

By Meg Abu Hamdan Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, Oct. 17 — Two new art exhibitions opened in Amman this week, and although the styles of the two artists differ widely -- from the romantic fantasies of Munir Daraz to the impressionistic landscapes of Yousef Baddawi -- both of them are young men of some promise.

Munir Daraz, with five years' artistic studies in his native Egypt behind him, is the more developed of the two. His work often shows a certain dexterous technical ability. seen especially in the sensitive poriravals (self portraits perhaps?) of serious, hauntingly sad young men whose features emerge from clouds of golden mist.

As with de Chirico, whose influence is much in evidence in this young artist's work --- from the classical torsos to Corinthian columns --- Daraz's style bridges the gap between roroatic fantasy and surrealism. But unlike de Chirico, Daraz does not capture the nurobing emptiness of the silent piazzas, where long evening shadows add to the sense of isolation. Instead his canvases are full to the bursting point with imagery and raw colours.

Faces in bright hues of orange, red, blue and green flow into one another by means of strands of long Raphaelesque hair -- an image the artist uses repeatedly. Figures embrace and faces -- often featureless, like de Chirico's mannequins -- abound. The best pieces, however, are the more subilv coloured, more fmely rendered paintings, where certain corners of well painted faces, often combined with the brilliant red, blues and whites of airmail letters and road traffic signs, dominate the whole canvas. Perhaps if the artist could make more of these strong elements he would have something very original on his hands.

Yousef Baddawi is a graduate of Amman's Centre for Musie and Fine Art, where his work in the

of his countrymen and with small brilliant blue prints of the blocky houses of his environment. However, in this, his first solo exhibition, he does not -- except in three of his oils and some of his sketches -- fulfill the promise of these early pieces. This is easily explained. First,

Baddawi is a young artis1 still trying to find his own style, and this is what the paintings on show indicate clearly, with their rather wild, uncontrolled application of both water colour and oil paint. There is nothing wrong in this, except that Baddawi should not be exhibiting on his own yet. He should continue to exhibit as he did before -- showing only his best pieces in the group situation thus biding his time and building up his reputation until he has enough good pieces for a solo exhibition.

The studies that we see at this present exhibition, these prolific outpourings -- which are totally necessary for the development of an enthusiastic young artist --should be kept by the artist to learn from.

This is not to discourage Baddawi, only to ask him to wait until all his paintings are as good as "Village on the Top", where subtle tones of orange and vellow emanate light -- something which he captures so well in the "Farmer" and the almost abstract 'Volcano".

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Yousef Baddawi's work can be sonalities in addition to their high seen, at the Holiday Inn until Thursday, while the Munir Daraz ranking in the tennis world. exhibition runs until the same day One member of the guest team 21.22.33. October 2:00.PM who stands out is Mrs. Francoise at the Jordan Artists' Association. Both artists are also exhibiting Durr, 39, who starred at the famsome of their best pieces at the ous British Wimbledon tour Jerash Festival of Culture and nament frequently between 1965 and 1979. Although she now has Arts, starting on Wednesday. JORDAN TIMES DAILY GUIDE Choice 17:30 Studio One 18:00 **BBC WORLD SERVICE** 6:30 Paris TAXIS: 9.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. closed Tues-JORDAN TELEVISION PRAYER TIMES Special English: News/Words and 6:30 Beirul Jerusalem 39655 days. 639, 720, 1413 KHz FOR SUNDAY their stories, feature "People in 7:00 Jordan Archaeological Muscum: Syrian pound 56.9/57.4 America" 18:30 Music USA 8.... 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French tennis stars to swing their racquets for handicapped

By Suzanne Zu'mut-Black Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN- A taste of Wimbledon will come to Al Hussein Youth City (Sports City) for three days, starting Wednesday Oct. 21, when four French tennis stars play friendly and demonstration matches in aid of bandicapped Jordanians.

The team represents the French Tennis Federation. and one aim of their visit is to help the young Jordan Tennis Federation foster national interest in the game. All revenues from the events will go to assist the Hussein Society for the Rehabilitation of the Physically Handicapped.

On Wednesday, their first day on the Sports City centre court. the guest players will be engaged in training sessions with junior Jordan Federation players currently under training. Thursday will see them engaged in friendly matches with the three members of the Jordanian team in men's and women's singles, men's doubles and mixed doubles, starting at 2.30 p.ro.

The third and last day of the tournament will be attended by their Majesties King Hussein and Queen Noor, and will witness exhibition matches among the French players themselves, These include ladies' and mens' singles and mixed doubles. Jordanian juniors will also play among them-selves in mixed doubles and men's singles.

The originator of the scheme is Mrs. Michele Harel, wife of the French ambassador to Jordan, who is an avid tennis player, Upon the suggestion of the president of the Jordan Tennis Federation, Dr. Muwaffaq Al Fawwaz, and Her Highness Princess Majda, president of the Hussein Society, Mrs. Harel approached the French federation, whose vice president came to visit Jordan and responded with great enthusiasm. Mrs. Harel told the Jordan Times that the four players to visit Jordan were chosen by the president of the French federation for their style and their pleasant per-

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The other three players are also prominent in the world of French tennis. Mr. Alain Cassaigne, 32, professional tennis coach, who was the French junior champion at given her services voluntarily, i 16, and is now the French Nasri Atallah, a federation bo women's teams' official trainer. member and a tennis player for Mr. Francis Boyer, 26, won the vears, told the Jordan Times

Cote d'Azur junior championship in 1970 and the cup of Candaliez in doubles in 1979, while Miss Ariane Feraud-Prax, 24, this year won the mixed doubles at the Crieterium de France.

Their host, the Jordan Tennis Federation, is a young organisation of only two years' standing, but which aspires, with experience, to enter into international competitions.

Mrs. Maureen Stalla, Mr. Hani Al Ali and Mr. Abdullah Al Khalil, three Jordanian team

for training. Tickets for the tournament sold for each day at the gate to centre court of Sports City, but blanket licket can also obtained, allowing admission all three days of the tourname

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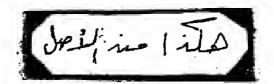
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MMAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) - A royal decree was issued today proving the appointment of Mr. Majed Al Haj Hassan as Jorn's ambassador to Pakistan.

Tangiers anti-crime conference

MMAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) — A Jordanian delegation left for ngiers today to participate in the 11th Arab conference for ial defence against crime, which will start tomorrow. During : three-day conference, delegates from Arab states will discuss working papers dealing with the role of Arab information, igious, education and security systems in curbing crime. Jorn's delegation to the conference is led by Mr. Ahmad Al Aday-1, under-secretary of the Interior Ministry, who will submit a rking paper on the role of Jordan's reformatory institutions in aling with crime.

Jerash housing planned

BID, Oct. 17 (Petra) — The Housing Corporation bas decided carry out a housing project in Jerash. The project entails the struction of 10 buildings to contain 60 flats, each of 110 square tre area, Housing Corporation office officials here said. Work he project, designed to belp solve housing problems in Jerash strict, is expected to commence within the coming two months. present the Housing Corporation is building 180 housing flats the city of Irbid.

Jordanian dies on Saudi road

·MAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) - The Foreign Ministry has received a le from the Jordanian embassy in Jeddah reporting the death ordanian citizen Omar Nayef Kokash in a road accident in the $= u_{rw}$ buk region. The ministry requested the family of the deceased all at its offices to make arrangements for transferring the ly from Tabbuk hospital to Jordan.

Bahraini envoy's term ends

MAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) - Jordanian-Bahraini relations are a ning example of inter-Arab cooperation, Foreign Minister Irwan Al Qasem said Thursday at a farewell party for Bahraini nbassador to Amman Salem Al Isa on the occasion of the end of term of office as ambassador to Jordan. The Bahraini ambaslor expressed his appreciation and gratitude to His Majesty ng Hussein, and praised the King's pan-Arab stand in support fraternal lraq in its war with Iran.

Photographic history conference set

MMAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) - Jordan has received an invitation to rticipate in an international conference on photography in the ab World to be held at Harvard University in the U.S., in "The "Coveration with the U.N. Educational, Scientific and Cultural "ganisation (UNESCO). The conference, to start at the end of tober, will discuss the importance of emergency programmes save old photographs of the Arab World which would be used documents on modern Arab history.

Maritime training discussed

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1,000 pilgrims Potash co. chief leaves a day to cross for Kuwait federation into West Bank AMMAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) - A AMMAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) – A total of 1,000 Muslim pilgrims meeting, shipping talks returning home from Saudi Arabia will be allowed to cross the

AMMAN. Oct. 17 (J.T.) — Arab Potash Company (APC) Chair-man Ali Khasawneh will leave bridges to the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip daily. according to an announcement by the Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic Amman for Kuwait tomorrow to take part in the board meeting of ft said that the bridges will be the Arab Federation of Chemical closed on Tuesday, Oct. 20. Fertiliser Producers, which will

The ministry also appealed to open tomorrow. pilgrims and other travellers not to During the four-day meeting, go to South Shuneh on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 18, 19 the board will review the federation's achievements in the curand 20, because a multitude of pilrent year, and will consider grims have already gathered in the amendments to the federation's byelaws with the aim of promoting

World Bank President Clausen due for four-day Jordan visit

Affairs.

AMMAN, Oct. 17 (J.T.) - The president of the World Bank, Mr. A.W. Clausen, is due here tomorrow for a four-day visit to Jordan. He will hold talks with Jordanian officials on economic issues and cooperation between the World Bank and Jordan.

Mr. Clausen will be meeting with officials from the Central Bank. the National Planning Council and the Amman Chamber of Industry. as well as Jordanian businessmen, to discuss scopes of investment in Jordan and the country's economic plans.

the federation's activities and programmes for the exploitation of Arab mineral wealth, Mr. Khasawneh said.

> He said that the board will also plan the federation's seminars and meetings for the next year, including one that will be held in Amman to discuss the condition of chemical fertiliser industries in the Arab World and to achieve better and more concerted coordination among these industries; and the use of fertilisers to develop Arab agriculture and achieve food security.

During his stay in Kuwait, Mr. Khasawneh will hold talks with Arab Maritime Company officials on cooperation with the Jordanian shipping company. The Jordanian company intends to purchase a number of commercial ships, for use in transporting Jordanian potash and phosphate products and fertilisers, Mr. Khasawneh said.



Social Security Corporation Director General Farhi 'Ubeid addresses a press conference Saturday on the corporation's growth and services (Petra photo)

Social Security coverage nears the 63,000 mark -

AMMAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) --Nearly 63,000 workers are now covered by the Social Security law, Social Security Corporation (SSC) Director General Farhi Ubeid announced here today. Eightycoming two years. These will include government employees who do not fall within the grade one per cent of these are Jordanians and the rest are of non-Jordanian nationalities, and all are classification system and those employed in 570 companies and institutions, he said.

panel meets

AMMAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) - A committee of experts from eight Arab states charged with drawing up the 1982 budget of the Council of Arab Economic Unity (CAEU) opened a three-day meeting in Amman today.

General Nasouh Al Barghouthi, who opened the meeting, noted to the outstanding aspects of the budget, which include among other things several research projects intended to promote the CAEU's general goals.

committee include: the United Arab Emirates, Jordan. Iraq,

bank for social development, to organise the financing of housing projects, the granting of loans for industrial projects in rural regions and for loans to university students whose families are covered by Social Security.

Delhi envoy accredited to Thailand

NEW DELHI, Oct. 17 (J.T.) --Jordanian Ambassador 10 India Walid Al Durra vesterday presented his credentials to King Bhumipol Adulyadej of Thailand as non-resident ambassador to Bangkok.

During the presentation ceremony. King Bhumipol requested Mr. Durra to convey his greetings to His Majesty King Hussein and the Jordanian people. Mr. Durra also conveyed King Hussein's good wishes to the Thai people.

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employed by public institutions. the two Jordanian universities and municipalities. who are expected to be covered next year. CAEU budget He said the SSC had paid full compensation and pensions to 73 families, and partial compensation vears.

for occupational injuries to 3,765 workers, during the past two The SSC has invested nearly JD 12 million in leading Jordanian projects, which include the white " cement project in southern Jordan, the glass factory, the national maritime company, the Jordan Petroleum Refineries Company

The CAEU Deputy Secretary

Countries represented on the Syria, Kuwait, Libya, North

Addressing a press conference to mark the SSC's third anniversary, Mr. Ubeid said that some 60,000 more employees will be covered by Social Security in the

MMAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) - The Jordanian Scaports Corration will take part in the board meetings of the Arab aritime Transport Academy which will open in Al Sbarjah in : United Arab Emirates on Monday. The board will discuss a mber of issues connected with the development and updating of academy curricula. Under-Secretary of Transport Ghaleb -- moun left Amman today to take part in the meetings.

Iducation Ministry opens hotel school

MAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) - The Ministry of Education's first I training college opened in Amman today. Students will eive theoretical and practical training at the Ammoun Hotel, a istry spokesman said. He said students will attend a two-year ning course, at the end of which they will be awarded their lomas.

Jurists' association gathers

MAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) - The general assembly of the onal jurists' association held a meeting today to discuss the ciation's budget and hear a report on its activities. During neeting a new administrative board was elected. It is made up ght members, with Judge Adib Al Halasa as the board chair-The association, which has 500 members, is a member of the ration of Arab jurists.

Arab library education seminar

MAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) — Jordan will take part in a seminar on teaching of library science organised by the Arab League eational, Cultural and Scientific Organisation (ALECSO) in canonal, Culturn and Scientific Organisation (ALECSO) in idb, beginning on Nov. 7. Jordan's delegation to the week-seminar will be a team comprising representatives of the istry of Education, the University of Jordan, Yarmouk Uni-ity and the Jordan Library Association. The team will submit urking paper to the seminar on the teaching of library science ordan. Participate from unclust Arab states will discuss a ordan. Participants from various Arab states will discuss a ber of issues pertaining to Arab library science education and s of developing teaching methods in this science.

Baghdad labour training course

MAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) - The Amman Chamber of Industry received an invitation to participate in a training course on ur relations and their influence on economic and social slopment in the Arab World. The Chamber of Industry has nded an invitation to industrial establishments in Jordan to e their representatives to this course, which will begin in hdad on Dec. 5.

Deir Alla children's centre

R ALLA, Oct. 17 (Petra) - A children's centre has been ted in Deir Alla, to accommodate 100 children in its first 3. The centre was opened cooperatively by Deir Alla Munlity and the Ghor university alumni club. Meanwhile, the icipality has also decided to build a new headquarters build-it the cost of JD \$0,000. Work on the project will start next th.

JD 40 fines for merchants

MAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) - Nine Jordanian merchants have 1 fined JD 40 each by the military court for violating Ministry upply regulations. The military governor today endorsed the

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in the Arab World inaugurated

Minister of Agriculture Marwan Dudin addresses the seminar on fruit production in the Arab World

Seminar on fruit production

AMMAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) - A five-day seminar to discuss means of increasing the number of fruit trees and their crops in the Arab World opened in Amman today.

on Saturday (Petra photo)

Taking part in the seminar, called by the Arab Centre for the Study of Dry Regions and Arid Territories (ACDRAT), are delegates from 10 Arab countries. They will discuss several working papers on fruit production, food security in the Arab World, desertification and other agriculturerelated subjects.

Addressing the opening session,

Passport Dept. reviews activities

AMMAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) - The Passports Department's revenues totalled JD 1,428,395 during the past nine months, department Director General Mohammad Al Qouda has announced.

The department issued 74,595 permanent passports, 9,292 temporary ones for occupied territories citizens and 3,210 passports for residents of the occupied Gaza Strip. Mr. Qouda added that the department has started to accept requests for passports from students who will sit for the general second secondary certificate examination (tawjihi). These procedures will be carried out through the schools these students attend in order to facilitate identification and other examination formalities.

Plans made for institute of job safety and health

AMMAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) - The Ministry of Labour has drawn up a draft outline for a proposed private institute which would be devoted to industrial safety and vocational bealth, according to Minister of Labour Jawad Al Anani.

Dr. Anani said that this project, which will be proposed to the cabinet, was designed upon the instructions of His Majesty King Hussein when he visited the Labour Ministry recently.

The central institute will be in Amman, but branches in other parts of the country may open later, he said.

Minister of Agriculture Marwan Dudin called on Arab agricultural specialists to cooperate in developing agricultural production in the Arab World.

Also addressing the session were agricultural engineer Mr. Usama Al Bilbeisi, director of the Agricultural Research and Extension Service: ACDRAT Director Mohammad Al Kish. and Dr.

Philip Nuseir, director of the horticultural section of ACDRAT. who urged Arab states to exchange expertise and coordinate their research projects in agricultural activities.

Countries taking part in the seminar are: Morocco, Tunisia, Libya, Lebanon, Syria, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, North Yemen, South Yemen and Jordan.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Archaeology Field trip

* To Qast Al Hallabat. led by Dr. Ghazi Bisheh, director of current excavations. Meet at the Registration Centre at 8:30 a.m.

Film

• The French Cultural Centre presents "Quelque Part Quelqu'un," (sub-titled in Arabic). at 7:30 p.m.

Painting exhibitions

* By Yousef Baddawi at Holiday Inn Hotel.

By Munir Abu Al Ula Darraz at the Jordan Artists' Association Gallery.

Book exhibition

* The British Council presents a selection of recent British books on home management, food and nutrition, needlework and dressmaking, child care, secretarial and business studies.

Church service

• Sunday, 8 a.m.: Holy Communion; and 12 noon, morning service at the Church of the Redeemer (C. of E./ Anglican/Episcopal) near First Circle, Jabal Amman.

ARE YOU

Staging a play? Putting on a concert? Delivering a lecture? Organising any non-profit activity open to the public?

Do you have any kind of event to announce to the Jordan Times' readers? The What's Going On listing is always open to receive entries, preferably written ones, in English or Arabic... free of charge.

Entries should be received at the Jordan Times office, by hand or by mail, at least 24 hours before the scheduled event.

Let us know!

Yemen and South Yemen.

Swiss team due

AMMAN, Oct. 17 (Petra) - A Swiss trade delegation is due here on Friday for a two-day visit to Jordan.

Its members will meet with officials at the Ministry of Industry and Trade, the Central Bank, the Royal Scientific Society, the Federation of Jordanian Chambers of Commerce and the Amman Chamber of Industry for talks aimed at boosting trade and industrial cooperation between Jordan and Switzerland.

at Yarmouk on Nov. 21

Industrial fair to start

and the Jordanian Securities Cor-

poration, Mr. Ubeid said. He

added that contacts are under way

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AMMAN, Oct. 17 (J.T.) --- Over 170 Jordanian industrial establishments and several government organisations have so far signed up for an industrial fair to begin at Yarmouk University on Nov. 21, according to Amman Chamber of Industry Director Ali Dajani.

Mr. Dajani told the Jordan Times today that more industries are still joining the list for the week-long fair, which will be held under the patronage of His Majesty King Hussein as part of the activities marking the King's birthday.

He said the fair -- the first of its kind to be held outside Amman -- is part of an effort on the part of the Chamber of Industry and other bodies "to introduce our industry as widely as possible to our people." The products and processes of the industries represented will be viewed by residents of the Irbid area at the university's gymnasium. The fair, Mr. Dajani said, is also intended to introduce Yarmouk University students to the progress Jordanian industry has made under the country's development efforts.

More such industrial fairs are planned for other population centres around Jordan, Mr. Dajani added.

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The Last Battle?

IT HAS always been clear that the American leadership needed some shaking up, and a thorough education, before they would be able to deal with issues of the Middle East on a sound, rational and just basis. But the report out of Washington on a recent conversation between President Ronald Reagan and a U.S. senator makes us fear that this president will need a little more help than most.

In the midst of a discussion of the proposed sale of AWACS radar planes to Saudi Arabia (the senator reported), he and Mr. Reagan started bringing in the Bible -- namely, the book of Revelation, whose mystic visions have sometimes been misinterpreted in a way that is, to say the least, unhelpful in the Middle East situation. Distressingly, it seems that Mr. Reagan may have all along been misled by those who see the current Middle East situation in terms of the "Last Battle" of Armageddon, wherein Good confronts Evil - and who see the state of Israel as the former, with the Soviet Union and practically everybody else taking on the role of the arrayed forces of Gog and Magog pitted against it.

The prevalence of such misguided notions in the United States provides fertile ground for the Zionist propaganda machine, though the illusions of previous presidents may have been less farfetched. The sad fact is that the policies of American governments, while they remain based on illusions -- religious or otherwise - are themselves contributing towards the accelerating deterioration in Middle East conditions.

The perception of an approaching "war to end all wars" thus threatens to be a self-fulfilling prophecy. And if the conflagration does come, Mr. Reagan and others will be jolted out of their comfortable: sets of assumptions -- too late. ·

Weaving the price web

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It has been a common prac-

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suggest that the present pricefixing policy has kept prices or helped to alleviate down harmful effects of inflation. On the contrary there seems to be an overwhelming evidence that even prices controlled by the authorities have occasionally been raised in order to avoid an acute shortage in certain commodities giving rise to a black market. In the meantime, price rises

have not been sufficient to encourage competition or to pursuade local producers to increase their output or improve the quality of their goods. Moreover, producers have found in the price-control

policy a good excuse for not raising the wages of their employees, who, consequently, appear to be indirectly subsidising consumers.

In some cases the government decided to keep down the prices of some staple goods by subsidising them out of taxpayers money. But many Jordanian economists have spoken against these subsidies which are likely to encourage consumption and effectively reduce the amount of funds devoted to productive investment.

The philosophy behind centralised intervention in price fixing is not adequately clear. not does it appear to be related to a well identified long-term

economic strategy aimed al inducing structural changes in

favour of low-income groups. If price-control policy were adopted to render assistance lo low-income groups, it would be possible to argue that there is in

existence a much more effective means of achieving this objective. This includes expanding social security benefits, free medical services, tax reliefs, increasing family allowances and, more directly, increasing the minimum wage level.

The government appears to have recognised the disadvantages of the present policy. Early this year, petrol subsidy was abolished and the salaries of civil servants were

Attacki Reagan defences

By Christopher Hau

WASHINGTON -- Pres Reagan's \$180 hillion pla enhancing U.S. defens coming under fire in Cos and prospects for its app spreas uncertain appear uncertain.

In the weeks ahead, m leaders are expected to Capitol Hill to disput recently announced pro-to deploy the MX nuclear sile in existing unders silos.

At the same time an inf tial congressman, Jo Addabbo of the House of resentatives Appropria Defence Subcommittee he will be fighting to hi president's companion posal to build 100 B-1 m bombers.

These developments light the problems Mr. Ro faces in getting his pat through Congress in the fac opposition from both libe and conservatives.

Hearings on the MX called by critics after Reagan decided not to de the powerful, accurate un in a maze of desert shelter confuse Sovict targetes. was the scheme backed former President Jimmy G and the U.S. air force.

The chairman of the chiefs of staff, Gen. (lones, has already testified President Reagan rejected advice to go ahead with desert basing plan.

Mr. Reagan announced October 2 that he wanted build 100 MX missiles temporarily put perhaps 3 them in existing silos a forced with concrete and st The president said thel

tagon would continue to g other ways of deploying MX, including the prosper launching it from huge in craft which would be capil flying for days at a time. The Reagan basing plan

already provoked shap ticism from so-called the 'hawks' in Congress Senator Henry Jacks Democrat from Washing State.

Mr. Jackson said they osal amounted to placing more inviting targets in

Cure to Belgium's ills may lie with bankers

By Giles Merritt

Financial Times news features

BRUSSELS: Belgium is in crisis. Yet the real crisis is not the one that most Belgians have been ruefully pondering since Mr. Mark Eyskens resigned as prime minisler. It is much more fundamental.

This month the country has been celebrating the 37th anniversary of its liberation, During that time it has been 30 governments come and go, so that it has been hard to tell one crisis from another. And it had been harder still to know which, if any, were seriously posing a threat to Belgium's strength and unity and which were merely the fractious squabblings of unruly politicians.

As it happens, the real crisis that now underlines the latest governmental debacle is not the standard politicians' one. It is a revolt by the bankers and the giant financial institutions that are the backbone of the country.

Their intervention, after years of watching the politicians patiently from the sidelines, has far-reaching implications and makes this latest crisis very different from the five that have preceded it in the last two years.

The country's largest bank, Societe Generale de Banque, has baldly described the governmeor's economic management as 'futile", and coming from the banking arm of the sprawling Societe Generale de Belgique oldings group that controls the

dressed citizenry that fills the capital's many sumptuous restaurants.

But the drive from the airport to the European Commission's Berlaymont HQ or to the multinational corporations office blocks presents a misleading picture of Belgium today.

The former offers the image of a thriving city well suited to being the "capital of Europe". But it is the drab backstreets of once great industrial towns such as Charleroi and Liege that paint the Belgian economy in truer colours.

There, with the collapse first of coal and now of steel, with textiles dying and engineering ailing, Belgium's 10 per cent-plus unemployment rate reaches pockets of 30 per cent and more.

The industrial workers in French-speaking Walloon areas, where the industrial revolution happened at the same time as in Britain, are increasingly idle and angry

Belgium's problem is that both pictures are accurate. In spite of the country's waning economic fortunes, Belgians' spending habits have not been remed in and the expectations of most people have remained unchanged since the 1960s when Belgium was a principal European magnet for foreign industrial investment. But, the country has not been earning those high incomes throughout most of the 1970s.

Export-reliant industries have been failing as their markets have shrunk, wage rises have outstripped even the Japanese-style productivity increases made every year by Belgian workers and, most worrying of all, capital investment in potential growth sectors has been squeezed to a dangerously low minimum.

In itself, that would amount to a game of three-dimensional chess. hut Belgian politics are not even that straightforward.

A Flemish Socialist, for instance, bred in the progressive but responsible tradition of Dutch and West German trade unionists, is a different animal from the French-influenced Walloon, Socialist whose culture has been shaped by confrontation rather than co-operation.

Add to that the rivalries between the two linguistic communities and bickering over the disputed status of Brussels itself -largely francophone enclave inside Flanders - and it becomes clear not only why Belgium has so many political parties but also why

In the midst of Belgium's latest political crisis, the country's banks are making it known that they will no longer tolerate what they see as a drift towards economic chaos.

most of them must be represented in government.

The snag is that, because each ruling coalition groups together parties which represent around 80 per cent of all voters, room for manoeuvre is necessarily limited.

needs from triggering hyper-inflation. By no means all Belgian of a collapse of international confidence in Belgium, a look-alike business leaders would accept this, successor to the Eyskens coalition s not an option.

The price of the banks' grudging co-operation with government up until now is a ratio between public debt and the GNP that is approaching Third World proportions and is slowing Belgium's traditionally resilient economy to a crawl.

Belgium's public sector borrowing requirement has shot up from less than 5 per cent of GNP in the early 1970s to 9.4 per cent in 1979, 12 per cent in 1980, close to 14 per cent for this year and on present trends 16 per cent in 1982. Earlier this year the central bank in its 1980 report put the country's total debt at BFr2,700 billion (about \$73.1 billion) -- a hefty BFr750 billion than the government admits.

Private sector industry has been deprived of badly needed risk capital by the state's practice of siphoning ever larger sums out of the domestic capital market and offering unmatchable interest rates for gilts.

Partly to ease that pressure, but to what they see as economic perlargely because the Belgian banks dition. could not cover the state's growing deficits unaided, Belgium was are, some Belgian bankers even forced two years ago to abandon point out that more than Belits policy of never borrowing gium's future is at stake, for the

After a modest start, its foreign debt has since then accelerated and now totals BFr270 billion.

but all agree on the need to cut the country's comfortable living standards and tame public spend-It was the banks' refusal

By Dr. Majdi Sabri

in this direction.

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increased. But since then no

further steps have been taken

should be confined to that of

monitoring the market prices

and ensuring that all trans-

actions take place under the

umbrella of fair trading. How-

ever, the government may find

it necessary to fix the prices of

goods produced or imported by

The other alternative is to

carry on with the present

price-control policy which

would eventually lead to a web

of price restrictions goveroed

by a centrally administrative

system of rationing. This is an

alternative that is obviously

inconsistent with the philoso-

phy of free enterprise system.

The role of government

recently to subscribe more funds to rescue the failing Walloon steel industry, now grouped neatly into a combine called Cockerill-Sambre, that is losing BFr1 billion a month, that led to Mr. Eyskens downfall. The banks wanted guarantees of past and future loans that amounted to streamlining and jobs losses that the

francophone Socialists in government would not accept. But while the financial institutions, which informally play a vital part in the running of the country, are clearly right in their analyses of the economic problem, they have strayed into unpredictable

Their revolt is not, of course, an

organised conspiracy or even a

formal pact. It is a general con-

sensus that Belgium cannot be

allowed to continue down the road

Internationally minded as they

country is a linchpin of the EEC

and NATO. Yet the fmanciers'

solutions cannot be imposed on

political territory.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

Negative U.S. role

AL RA'l: It is clear that the role the United States played with regard to the Arab issue during the annual meeting of the NATO Council is regrettable since the United States tried to to persuade the council to adopt the Camp David agreements as the basis for solving the Middle East issue. It also tried to drive the council towards disregarding the European Economic Community's Venice Declaration.

It is also evident that the U.S. role was not constructive even though the NATO Council refused to adopt the Camp David agreements or adhere to the Venice Declaration. The European NATO members no longer take the Camp David agreements into consideration despite the U.S. pressure.

The NATO Council's decision merely hoped that efforts would be exerted for reaching a just and peaceful settlement in the tegion. One would not be exaggerating to say that what happened stresses the fact that the United States' clinging to the Camp David process remains the major obstacle in the way of efforts to achieve a just and comprehensive settlement. Consequently, the Arabs must not pin great hopes on the European group. They must concentrate their efforts on effective action which would enable them to deal with their own issue and regain their rights.

Internecine wars

AL DUSTOUR: The Arab Nation pins great hopes on the forthcoming Arab summit conference to clear the atmosphere in order to strengthen Arab solidarity and to enable the nation to face this crucial stage and its grave developments. But what is taking place in the Arab region is ominous.

The exchange of accusations and the massing of Egyptian and Sudanese troops on the Libyan borders and the escalated conflict among Rabat, Algiers and Tripoli over the Western Sahara issue constitute the beginning of a stage when brothers will fight amongst themselves and destroy Arab armies in battles other than the fateful one which they should launch against the Zionist enemy. This grave situation would only serve Israel and the enemies of the Arab Nation.

There is a chance now to contain these dangerous developments, to prevent the clash and to resort to reason for the sake of pan-Arab interests in order to save the region from falling into international polarisation.

We are looking forward to His Majesty King Hussein's tour which will begin in the Gulf states on Sunday. We hope that this tour will be the beginning to an effective Arab action to salvage the situation befor; - is too late since our decisive battle should be against the Zionist enemy and not amongst ourselves.

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cream of Belgian industry, such language adds up to a good deal more than bankers' irritability. If it is hard for Belgians to distinguish between genuine crisis and the flurries of political chaos that are such a regular feature of life in Belgium, it is probably even more difficult for visitors to the

country to believe that it is in really serious economic trouble. Prosperity is something palpable in Belgium. The spacious neatness of Brussels' Zaventem

airport presents a marked contrast for the visitor who has come through Heathrow or Kennedy. That international hallmark of affluence is backed up strongly by Belgium's display of visible wealth. in the shape of expensive new cars that crowd the roads, chic shops, well-kept bouses and the well-

politics.

The OECD now reckons that since 1973 Belgians have been paying themselves 15 per cent more than they should.

The key to all this is the inherent political instability of the Belgian year. state. Belgian politics have to marry Left and Right with Walloon and Fleming, for both the Dutch-speaking northern half of the country and the francophone south of Wallonia have political parties representing the conventional spectrum of European

And even then each coalition eventually proves to contain the seeds of its own destruction. The shaky compromises that

formed the platforms of successive coalitions were adequate enough in the golden years until end-1974 when yearly GNP growth ran at over 5 per cent. They were even viable in a day-to-day sense dur-ing the rest of the 1970s when the admittedly bumpy growth curve was averaging around 3 per cent a

For 1981 GNP is due to fall by at least 0.5 per cent, and with a whole host of postponed economic decisions now demanding attention, the country's political stalemate is no longer tolerable.

Indeed, according to the rebellious bankers who now talk darkly

The borrowing has helped counter-balance the soaring balance of payments deficit, but last year's current account payments gap of BFr175 billion is this year liable to be nearer BFr200 billion.

Belgian bankers are now concerned that the country must treat with creditors who will be a good deal less patient and sympathetic to political paralysis than they have been.

Kredietbank, the go-ahead Flemish bank that is the third largest in Belgium, has of late been suggesting that the devaluation Belgian governments have for some time been resisting may now be a necessary shock tactic, providing it is coupled with a reform of wages indexation to prevent the country's large import

while withholding funds risks provoking a shake-up in Belgian politics that might even end in the long-feared break-up of the unitary Belgian state into its Flemish and Walloon halves.

The odds are that Belgians will once again be going to the polls, as they are required by law to do at a' general election. In the past elections have solved nothing, indeed they have -- as in December 1978 even tightened the deadlock.

Whether this time a new sense of reality produced by the baakers' stance could produce a change in voting patterns remains to be seen. The danger is that, particularly in the case of Wallonia's embittered Socialists whose first priority is to "save" their ageing industrial base, it will instead provoke stubborn defiance.

But he said they had become

"Two years ago they started to

use violence, using small knives

and bicycle chains to threaten the

other students ... then finally it

culminated in this ... violence and

The university president and other officials in the local gov-

ernment said they had been

astonished by the extremists' leap

from campus demonstrations to:

Dr. Hassan pointed to a picture

in a newspaper of the so-called

'prince'' of the Islamic societies in

Asyut whom, he said, was a

recently graduated medical stu-

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Dr. Hassan said weapons were

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Asyut tranquil but is still virtually deserted

By Paul Eedle

Renters ASYUT, Egypt - The governor of Asyut stood in the bulletriddled courtyard of his security headquarters and proudly announced that the town was

Along the dusty streets of this shabby provincial capital in southern Egypt, hundreds of police with machine guns guarded government buildings and mosques. Others searched for remnants of the band of Muslim extremists that fought security forces for two

days last week. The town was quiet. Most shops stayed shut and the square outside the grimy railway station, usually thronged with people, cars and horse-drawn taxis, was virtually

deserted. In front of the yellow twostorey block of the security headquarters the broad expanse of the Nile flowed slowly north towards Cairo, 400 km (250 miles) away.

Officials said they were confident the extremist group had been eliminated, although police have mounted a nationwide hunt for a handful whom, they say, escaped.

But, in Asyut, where truckloads of steel-helmeted police guarded street corpers, there were still indications the group had sympathisers. A young man told a foreign

journalist in a grim undertone: "we will continue our struggle".

He said he and his fellow militants had gone into hiding since last week's battles, in which official accounts say more than 50 people. died including 44 police. But they intended to mount further operations, he added.

There was no way to prove his connection with the rebelling 'Islamic societies" in a town clamped under virtual martial law, but his comments suggested the optimism of senior local officials needed to be treated with caution. Abdul Raziq Hassan, president of the University where Muslim fundamentalists have long had a

stronghold, had asserted confidently: "I think the prospect is that everything will be tidy now that the extremists have been eliminated."

The young Muslim fundamentalists who attacked the security headquarters and two police stations at dawn a week ago were members of a movement that has swept Egypt's universities and mosques in recent years and may have been connected with last week's assassination of President Sadat.

In June two days of gunfights between Muslims and Christians in a Cairo slum left at least 14 people dead and was cited by President Sadat to justify a sweeping clampdown on religious extremists and political opponents in the weeks before his death.

Police arrested 1,600 people-including Christians and leftists but the main target was clearly the Muslim fundamentalists. Among Muslim militants arrested was the brother of the man who led President Sadat's assassins, according to official accounts.

Reaction to the street battles in Asyut showed the depth of concern of the anthorities about the fundamentalists. What local officials tried to portray as merely an isolated incident spurred the interior ministry in Cairo to issue orders to police throughout the country to shoot troublemakers on sight.

Egypt's new president Hosni Mubarak marked his swearing-in on Wednesday by promising drastic action against "those who are playing with fire."

There has been a strong Muslim fundamentalist movement in Egypt since Hassan Al Banna founded the Muslim Brotherhood in 1928 to press for a more truly Islamic government and society in Egypt. But according to academic

studies a new generation of more radical Muslim groups emerged in the aftermath of the 1967 war with Israel.

The fundamentalists flourished in a society where most people regard themselves as deeply religious. They were also encouraged by the late President Sadat in the early 1970s as a counterbalance to leftist opposition as the segregation of male and forces, the studies say. female students and breaks in lectures for prayers.

One of the most extreme groups is known as Al Takfir wal-Hegira increasingly involved in politics (repentance and flight) and has openly advocated violence to and increasingly violent. achieve an Islamic society.

The Muslim Brotherhood had struggled to bring about what it regarded as a more Islamic government. But the takfir wal-Hegira group, founded in the late. 1960s, by the charismatic Shukry Mustafa, regards the whole of Egyptian society as corrupt and un-Islamic.

Most of Egypt's young fun-damentalists, including many of those who took part in the battles in Asyut, are members of "Islamic societies" in the universities.

They made no secret of their opposition to Mr. Sadat but they do not publicly advocate violence. Studies say the groups recruit members mainly from the lower middle classes and offer students would do a criminal act like that," welfare services such as medical care and accommodation.

The president of Asyut Unifreely available for cash in southversity said the hard core of extremists amounted to no more system of blood feuds is still ramthan about 50 of his 33,000 stupant. The extremists also had dents, although teachers said a much larger number had fundamentalists sympathies.

collected donations. Dr. Hassan said five years ago the fundamentalists were a purely "They may also be supplied religious group demanding with money from somewhere out-ichanges in university routine such 'side, I don't know," he added.

democratically elected politicians, existing silos, which he tended would still be nerable even with the reinforcement.

At the same time, ams trol advocates charge tha MX, with 10 highly acc warheads, is intended to t possible a U.S. surprise strike against Soviet missi They fear the presid

decision to put it in vulne silos adds to the incentiv launch before Moscow and thus increases the cha of a nuclear war.

Liberal members of gress such as Mr. Add have also denounced the (sion to revive the B-1 bom a project scrapped by Presi Carter in 1977.

Mr. Addabbo told Re the B-1 proposal might approval now by a ma margin.

But the New York Dem said he would do all be a to reduce its funding to . because there was not en money to build both the and an advanced bord known as Stealth, which wo be invisible to Soviet radat

pursuing research 04 ' Stealth bomber, intended take the place of the B-1 sof

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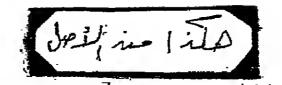
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Whatever happens, the ps ident will have his work cut o to convince Congress to port and supply funds for f defence programme he proposed.

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The system of fuel production in Brazil:

sugarcane to alcohol

Brazil is well on its way to running all its cars on alcohol produced from sugarcane, But Jose Lutzenberger, the nation's leading environmentalist, believes this programme will spread malnutrition, landlessness, poverty and blight across the nation. The programme will benefit Brazil, he believes, only if it is decentralised.

Early this year, Brazil was producing four billion litres (1.1 billion U.S. gallons) of alcohol yearly from 2.5 million bectares (6.1 million acres) of sugarcane. Some

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250,000 all-alcohol cars are being built a year, or one car for every 480 Brazilians.

When the PROALCOOL programme finally replaces all trans-

port fuel with alcohol, some nine million hectares will be under sugarcane, or about one-fifth of the nation's arable land.

"PROALCOOL was orginally conceived by the sugar barons of Sao Paulo and the northeast." Lutzenberger told a recent energy seminar here. The northeastern sugar plantations have already driven peasants from the land into the big city slums, offering those that remain only arduous. seasonal work for a few months a year at what are virtually starvation

wages The Commission Pastoral de Terra, a Brazilian Catholic Church organisation. also warns against the proletarianisation of

poor Brazilians on huge sugarcane plantations under PROAL-COOL. It urges the government to plan small, decentralised alcohol distilleries, a programme Lutzenberger also favours.

But Lutzenberger warned that growing fuel will inevitably replace growing food. Despite the richness of its soil. Brazil already imports its staple food, black beans, as well as powdered milk from the Common Market and meat from Uruguav.

Brazilian agriculture Minister Amaury Stabile promises that the government will not risk "having to import food to drive our cars. Lutzenberger replies that the cars are owned only by the affluent one-fifth of the population.

The very nature of PROAL-COOL, said Lutzenberger, means huge land-clearing projects, such as the Fazenda Bodoquena project in Mato Grosso do Sul which s putting 1.700 square kilometres under sugarcane. This required evelling the same area of a rare forest ecosystem by pulling down the trees and setting them ablaze -- and all this to produce far less than one per cent of the nation's fuel needs.

Such large "monocultures" (areas of only one crop) will need huge doses of chemical fertilisers and insecticides, and there have already been reports of mercury poisonings of sugarcane field hands from mercury insecticides. according to Lutzenberger.

The massive landclearing will add to erosion problems, especially when the projects have to be abandoned as, over the years, they use up the soils' nutrients. "Entire communities of plants

and animals are being irrevocably lost." said Lutzenberger. "In their place are being planted vast monocultures, which are inherently unstable. Most don't last five years and require massive doses of biocides and fertilisers that pollute rivers and lakes and kill wildlife." The distilleries discharge 10-16 litres of effluent water for every litre of alcohol produced, and if this untreated "stillage" is emptied directly into a river it can kill all life there.

After some cases of large fish kills, the Brazilian government now claims that river pollution from PROALCOOL is completely under control. American engineers who have visited Brazilian distilleries say there are still isolated cases of discharge into rivers, and Lutzenberger said that such dumping is still common throughout the nation.

All this aside, alcohol cannot by itself solve Brazil's tuel problems. The nation has few railways, so almost all goods are transported by trucks which run on diesel. And while alcohol can be used instead of gasoline in cars it cannot be substituted for diesel. When diesel is made from imported crude in Brazil's refineries, gasoline must also be produced due to the nature of the refining process.

"Brazil is exporting gasoline made from imported crude. We will have to export more gasoline or export alcohol, or both. It sometimes seems as if this was the real aim of the programme." Lutzenberger said. However, diesel could be replaced with certain vegetable oils, he added, and Brazil is actively growing sunflower and other oil crops. Jose Lutzenberger is suspicious of the motives behind the alcohol programme, which he believes will benefit big business rather than

the people. Changing from a diesel truck fleet to an alcohol fleet would be

wonderful for the automotive industry which would build the new vehicles, but would ruin the tens of thousands of private truekers who haul the nation's goods and who would not be able to afford the switch. Lutzenberger

Despite all of this, Lutzenberger is not against Brazil's producing its fuel from sugarcane. But he wants the programme decentralised. At present all the alcohol is produced centrally in

hig distilleries, and small-scale production is discouraged. "There need be no energy crisis

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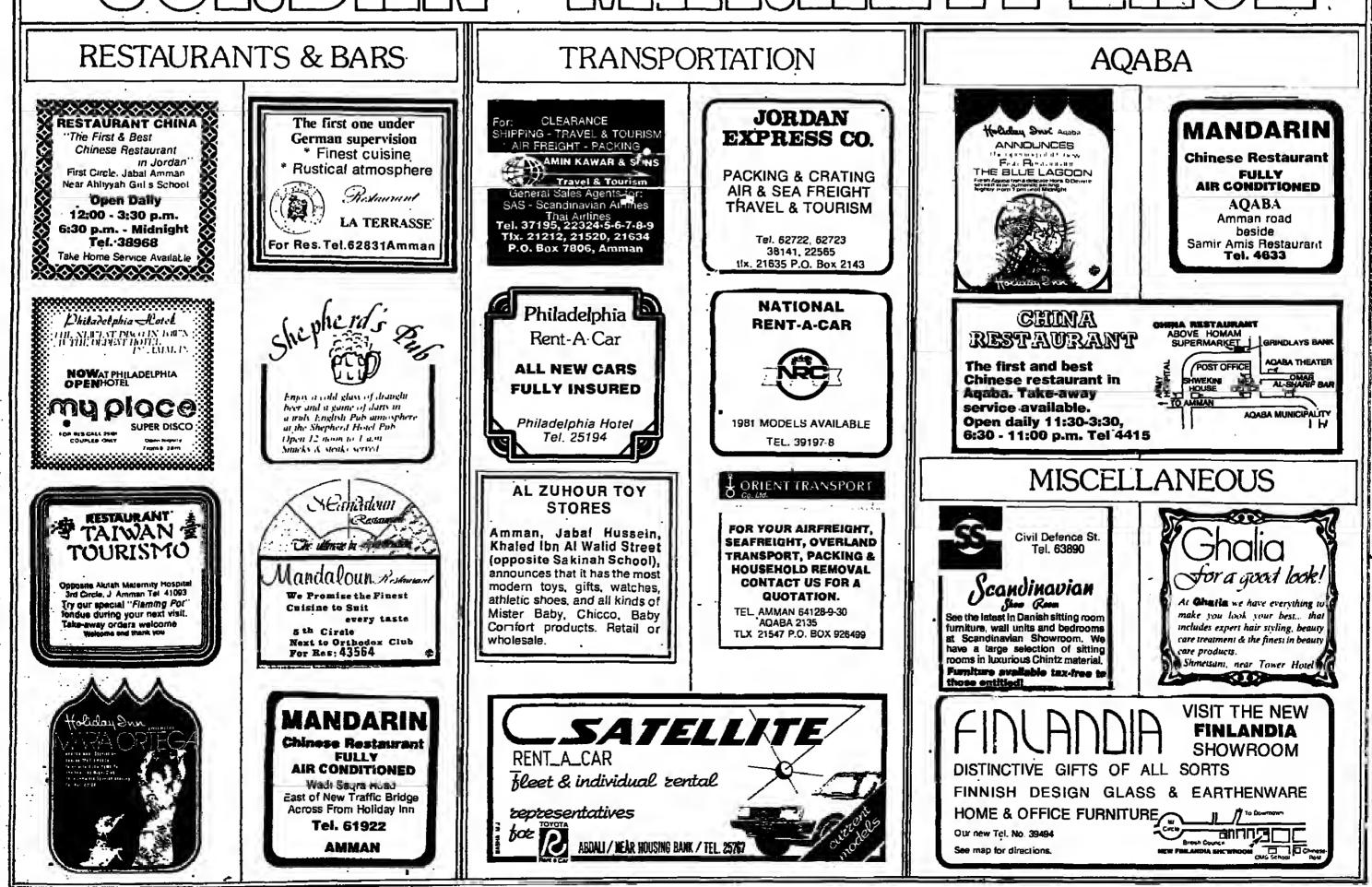
in a country the size of Brazil, but we do have a crisis in our models." Lutzenberger said.

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The first cars running on alcohol at the Furnas Hydroelectric plant, Brazil. (Photos by GAMMA)





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\$3b Arab insurance group inaugurated

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BAHRAIN, Oct. 17 (R) - A new three billion dollar Arab Insurance Group (ARIG), set up by Libya, Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates, will be run on commercial and not political basis, its Chairman Fawzi Musaad Al Saleh said today.

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"There is no place for politics in ARIG business," he told a press conference after the company's formal inauguration attended by Bahrain Prime Minister Sheikh Khalifa Bin Sulman Al Khalifa.

Western insurance firms have said that the ARtG's formation was prompted by a decision-later reversed under Arab protest -- of Llovd's of London in 1979 to impose war risk premium on ships entering the Gulf.

Lloyd's Chairman Peter Green, invited for the inauguration, told Reuters ARIG posed a competition to the whole Western world. But it is nice to see a new company which has been set up with plenty of capital behind it. This, I think, is necessary today because the risks are getting so big," he said.

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Mr. Saleh said in his inaugural speech that ARIG, based in Bahrain, was committeed to promoting better understanding with the world insurance community and would hold an international conference each year to eliminate common problems through exchange of views.

Insurance business volume in the Gulf was growing. Mr. Sateh said, adding that ARIG's services would be badly needed when the West was through with its economic recession.

He said ARIG decided on the three billion dollar capital "to back up our word with a huge capital and to huild up a tradition of meeting

Reagan, Mitterrand to meet before summit

PARIS. Oct. 17 (R) - President Francois Mitterrand left today for the United States for talks with President Reagan before they join other world leaders at an economic summit in Mexico next week.

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ginia, are sure to focus on the strongest point of accord shared by the Socialist French leader and the conservative American -- their belief in the threat from an expansionist Soviet Union.

eek. The talks in Williamsburg. Vir-But in preparing for the North-South summit in Cancun,

Mexico, they are certain to differ for a new world economic order. sharply over Third World aid and Mr. Mitterrand has pledged policy towards leftist guerrilla France to give greater economic movements in Latin America. aid to Third World countries and has called on other industrial France is expected to side nations to follow suit. But Mr. broadly with developing nations at the Cancun summit while the U.S. Reagan said recently that private is likely to resist Third World calls investment was the best approach.

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OPEC aides to attend Cancun summit

CANCUN, Mexico. Oct. 17 (R) - Saudi Arabia's Oil Minister. Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, will attend next week's summit between rich and poor nations in this Mexican resort, the Saudi ambassador to Mexico has announced.

Ambassador Mohamed Charara told Reuters last night that separate talks with other members of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) attending the conference could not be ruled out. He would not elaborate.

The other OPEC countries due to arrive here for the October 22 and 23 meeting are Algeria, Nigeria and Venezuela. The OPEC President. Dr. Subroto of Indonesia, is also expected.

OPEC countries are divided over how much to charge the world for their oil and are not expected to reach agreement before their next full meeting on December 9 in Abu Dhabi.

Venezuelan Öil Minister Humberto Calderon Berti said in Caracas on Wednesday it was possible a special meeting of the 13 OPEC members would be held as a result of discussions in Cancun.

Gulf aides discuss industrial cooperation

BAHRAIN, Oct. 17 (R) - Experts from six Gulf oil producing states began talks in Rivadh today on ways of promoting industrial cooperation between their countries, which established the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) five months ago, the Saudi press agency reported.

The experts, who represent Saudi Arnhia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates. Oman. Bahrain and Oatar, will draw up recommendations for a meeting of their industry ministers scheduled for Monday, the agency said.

The ministers have been asked to discuss how to implement industrial cooperation under an agreement approved in September and regarded as the first practical step to integrate the economies of the six states.

They will submit their findings to GCC's next summit in Riyadh on November 10.

Full details of the agreement have not been disclosed, but Gull' officials have said it covers oil policy, industry, trade, linance, transport and guaranteed the free movement of people, goods and capital between the six.

IDB to lend \$73m to 11 states

BAHRAIN, Oct. 17 (R) - The Jeddah-based Islamic Development Bank is to extend \$73.4 million in credits to 11 member states to finance development projects or to import oil, the bank said today.

The biggest allocation, \$30 million, was made for the Senegal River development project designed to benefit Mali. Mauritania and Senegal through construction of dams to boost irrigation and hydro-electric power.

Other aid recipients were Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia,

Indonesia, and (north)Yemen Arab Republic. The bank, which does not charge interest under its Islamic charter is the financial arm of the 42-member Islamic Conference 110

Organisation (ICO), also based in Jeddah.

Uranium, thorium found in Egypt

CAIRO, Oct. 17 (A.P.) - Surveys conducted jointly by U.S. and Egyptian experts have revealed the existence of large deposits of uranium and thorium, both radioactive chenticals in Egypt, the Al Ahram newspaper reported today.

The authoritative newspaper said aerial surveys had uncovered seven thousand spots in which thorium and uraninm deposits existed.

It said 50 such areas could be excavated for uranium and four had already been designated for extracting uranium for industrial purposes.

U.S. oil imports down 11.7%

NEW YORK, Oct. 17 (A.P.) - The government reported yesterday that U.S. imports of crude oil and petroleum products fell 11.7 per cent in the four-week period ended Oct. 9 from the comparable period last year.

Imports averaged 5.4 million barrels a day during the period, excluding imports designated for the government's strategic petroleum reserve that holds oil as insurance against a disruption in world supplies, the department of energy said.

Also in its latest report on petroleum supplies and intports, the department said crude oil stocks stood at 379.3 million barreb Oct. 9. That's a drop of 0.7 per cent from supplies on the same date last year.

The decline in petroleum supplies is due in part to a sharp dtnp off in relinery operations.

The American Petroleum Institute stated vesterday that U.S. relineries operated at 68 per cent of capacity in September, down from an operating rate of 74.1 per cent in September 1930. For the first nine months of the year. retinery utilisation has lallen 9.1 per cent, the institute said.

Lebanon raises petrol price by 36%

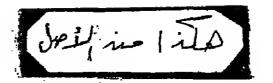
BEIRUT, Oct. 17 (R1 --- The price of petrol in the Lebanon will go up by about 36 per cent on Monday, Lebanese Industry and Oil Minister Mohammed Beydoun said today.

He told a press conference that petrol would cost 30 pounds (\$6,6) for 20 litres, compared with 22 pounds (five dollars) at present.

The price of kerosene will also go up by 20 per cent, from 2th pounds (\$4.4) to 24 pounds (\$3.3) for 20 litres.

The minister said the move was due to a big deficit in the

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English cricket tour to India still in dilemma

LONDON, Sept. 17 (Agencies) - English cricket officials today said there was no question of removing Geoff Cook and Geoff Boycott from the England party to tour India later this year. The Indian government yesterday was reported to be considering refusing admission to the two England players, both of whom have played in South Africa.

If Boycott and Cook were not lowed entry to India, England ould have no option but to call ff the tour.

Donald Carr, secretary to the est and Countycricket Board, id that the England team had sen approved by the Indian uthorities some weeks ago, but it the Commonwealth experiace in Melbourne might have nanged attitudes.

two players from the team. "I certainly cannot anticipate anything of that sort," he said. It has been rumoured bere that England will attempt to organise a tour to New Zealand if the Indian tour falls through.

Geoff Cook said: "of course I am bitterly disappointed but I am particularly sorry for cricket and for everyone this business affects. "It would be a tragedy if there He was against removing the was a major split between the test

pleying countries. "I don't regret going to play for eastern province in South Africa. I just saw it as part of my career." Meanwhile, an Indian government spokesman said today, he could not confirm or deny reports that England's crickel tour of India will be cancelled. "When an official decision is made known it will be officially announced." the spokesman added.

The Press Trust of Indie (PTI) reported yesterday that the tour was actually off." and the United News of India (UNI) quoted informed sources as saying it would not be allowed unless Boycott and Cook were dropped.

Carter tennis classic.

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for 57 years.

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West Germany, watched her play.

who turned pro only six months ago.

quarterfinal matches yesterday night.

The government spokesman quoted as saying: "I have no instructions on this. I can neither

confirm nor deny news agency reports on the subject."

A decision on the issue, which could affect relations between Britain and India, was originally expected to be made known before Prime Minister Indira Gandhi leaves on an overseas trip lomorrow.

It is expected to be made personally by Mrs. Gandhi who is visiting Romania before attending the Cancun Summil in Mexico. She will have a day in London on Oct. 25 on her way back to Delhi. Mrs. Gandhi is a strong supporter of the front line African states against South Africa and India abides by the 1977 Gleneagles agreement between Commonwealth countries which

discourages sporting links with

South Africa.

Mother rejoices as daughter wins

by Casals gave Hanika the opportunity. Hanika went on to win two

straight games and won the second set with a service break in the

Swansea tops English First Division

LONDON, Oct. 17 (R) - Swansea today became the first Welsh

club to reach the giddy heights of the top of the English First Division

While they were coming from behind to win 2-1 at Stoke, leaders

Football Association (F.A.) cup holders Tottenham continued

But neighbours West Ham gained no reward from their after-

noon's toils. Their 3-2 defeat away to champions Aston Villa cost

their impressive run with a 2-0 win at Sunderland which hoisted them

football match first in 57 years

Ipswich stumbled to a 2-1 defeat away-to Everton.

Lynda Carter tennis semifinals

Ambitious China to face Kuwait to enter World Soccer Cup finals

PEKING, Oct. 17 (R) - China's ambition to appear in the World Cup Soccer finals for the first time in Spain next year will be dealt a severe blow if they fail to beat Kuwait at the Worker's Stadium here tomorrow.

China gleaned only one point from their two matches against New Zealand in the Asia-Oceania final playoff group and badly need to win lomorroy

A crowd of 63,000 and a live relevision audience of 100 million are expected to watch the match in the country with the world's largest population.

Kuwait revived their hopes of going to Spain by beating New Zealand 2-1 in Auckland a week ego. They have been in Peking for five days to acclimatise to the cool autumn weather.

Hussein Youssef, the Kuwaiii team superviser, is confident his

team can win and maintain their unbeaten record in qualifying games. They won their three preliminary group matches before beating New Zealand.

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Saudi Arabia completed the final playoff group which will send two teams to Spain.

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GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES H. GOREN

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Q.1-Both vulnerable, as you bold:

South you bold: ♦A872 ♥AQJ1073 083 ♦£ The bidding has proceeded: North East South West 2 ♥ Pass 4 + Pass 1 O Pass 1 V Pass 20 Pass What do yon bid now? A .- Don't bid a timid four hearts. Despite the fact that partner could do no more than make a simple raise, your hand bas slam potential. If partner has the right minimum, yon could easily be -cold for twelva tricks. Your hand rates one move, and the iiiii obvious one is to bid two epadee. If partner makes no constructive move over that Hill I effort, you can still settle for

four hearts. 9 Q.2-As South, vulnerable.

South West North East 1 + Pass 2 + Pass

What action do you take? A.-We cannot conceive of a band where partner would bid this way without, at least, two aces. Therefore, this is a perfect hand for the Blackwood convention, since you must be safe at the fivelevel. Your final contract will depend entirely on how many aces partner shows in response to your inquiry, and it could be anywhere from five spades to seven spades.

Q.5-Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

the opponents beedlessly continue on to a grand slam. Q.4-As South, vulnerable, ◆KQJ72 ♡KQ843 ○K6 ◆Q The bidding bas proceeded:

you bold: +QJ7 ♥A10763 ◊ Q8 + A104 The bidding has proceeded: West North East South 4 + Dble. Pass ? What action do you take? A.-Partner's double is not intended purely as takeoutat this level it shows a good hand. If be wanted to force you to bid, he could have ventured four no trump. Certainly, you might have a slam if partner has the right hand but there is no simple way to find out. Pass. You ehould collect a substantial penalty. from four spades doubled and you are still a beavy favorite to win the rubber.

Q.3-East-West vulnerable. as South you hold: **♦Q762** ♥A1097652 **♦86** The bidding has proceeded: West North East South 1 1 1 2 4 4 9 50 Pass 64 ? What action do you take? A.-We bave no reason to : expect that we can defeat an opposing slam even if partner leads a diamond, so we intend sacrificing at six bearts. However, it costs us nothing to bid aix diamonds en route. That lead-directing .bid should enable partner to get off to the right attack sbould

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What do you bid now? A .- Your hand has just improved a little. While the point count might be minimum, your values are all prime, which is excellent for suit play, and you have a fourth trump. In addition, your doubleton beart in partner's "game-try" suit is another plus. We would bid four spades.

Q.6-Neither vulnerable, aa South you bold: ₩A109 ♥KQ93 ◊AQ104 **4**104 The bidding bas proceeded: South West North East

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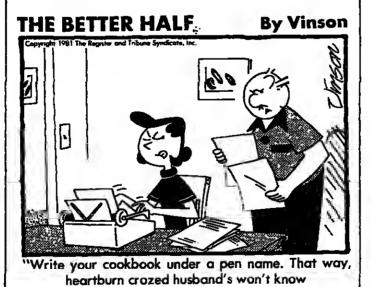
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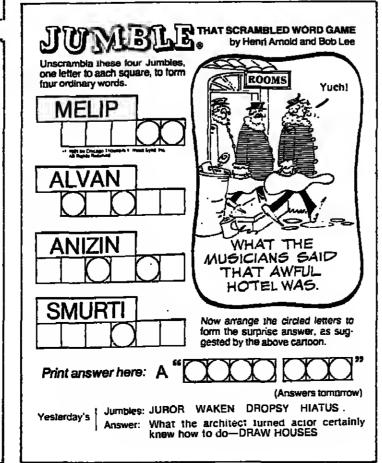
game. Invite with two no

them a 26-match unbeaten run in the league, stretching back to last December. Former England international Bob Latchford, Swansea's bargain buy from Everton, was again the toast of the Welsh club. His 79th minute winner took Swansea's points tally to 22. Tottenhem heve 21 and lpswich 20.

Swansea's hopes of elbowing lpswich from the top looked slim when they fell a goal behind in the 35th minute. But a greet second half comeback brought them goals by Stanley and Latchford.



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FORECAST FOR SUNDAY, OCT. 18, 1981



GENERAL TENDENCIES: Because of planetary influences you could run into some problama of a minor nature early in the day, but conditions return to normal later. Conserve your energies.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Try to understand the expectations of those who have power over your affairs today. Gain more prestige in public matters.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Morning is fine for studying new interests and making plans for the future. Show more thoughtfulness for others.

GEMINI (May 21 to Juna 21) Finish that work you started and then be off to the fascinating activities that appeal to you. Sidestep an opponent.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) You can work out a difficult problem with the help of others early in the day. Plan the new week wisely.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Attend to routine chores early in the day so you'll have time for social activities later. Sbow others you have poise.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Daytime hours are best for being with good friends and relatives, and reserve personal duties for the evening.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Pay more attention to family members and have more harmony at home. Make plans to have more abundance in the future.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Take those extra steps that are needed to gain your personal aims. Sidestep one who likes to impose on you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Try to please close ties today instead of worrying about personal affairs. Engage in favorite hobby.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Daytime hours are best for handling personal matters. Schedule social activities for the coming week.

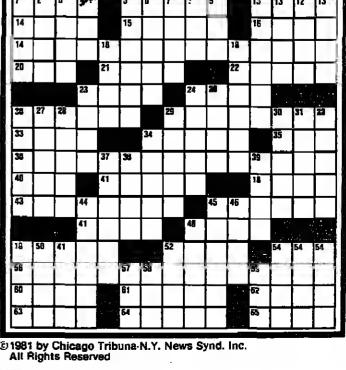
AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Fab. 19) Take care of private affairs early in the day and then join congenials at recreation you enjoy. Have a delightful time.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) You need to apply yourself more to gain your personal aims at this time. Show more consideration for the one you love.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY ... ha or sha will be one who will want to please others and will be willing to obey all rules and regulations in order to do so. Direct education along entertainment lines and service to others for beet results in lifetime.

"The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

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Pravda analysis criticises French socialist governmental policies

MOSCOW, Oct. 17 (R) - In the first detailed Soviet analysis of French policy under Francois Mitterrand the Communist Party newspaper Pravda today expressed grave doubts over the course followed by the Socialist president in foreign affairs.

A lengthy article by Pravda's editor-in-chief Viktor Afanasyev. who is also a high-ranking party official, indicated particular concem over Mr. Mitterrand's views on nuclear weapons in Europe. Pierre Mauroy now "reject the policy of neutralism and in every vay possible stress their allegiance to the Atlantic alliance."

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He criticised them for not condemning U.S. plans to produce the neutron weapon and said Mr. Mit-terrand's attitude towards new American nuclear missiles in Europe had evoked "puzzlement".

The French socialist leaders have been among Washington's strongest supporters over planned deployment of Cruise and Pershing-2 missiles in Europe to

Zimbabwe restricts movements of diplomats

SALISBURY, Oct. 17 (A.P.) -Zimbabwe has ordered restrictions on the movement of diplomats and the size of embassies and consulates, it was disclosed

here today. The 60 diplomatic missions were informed by the foreign affairs ministry of the curbs yesterday, diplomats who requested anonymity told the Associated Press

There was no official explanation for the moves and no official comment from the government.

Diplomats said that they were told they would in future have to seek authority from ministry 48 hours before moving beyond a 48 counter Soviet SS-20 rockets

aimed towards the West. Hinting at Soviet fears that Mr. Mitterrand was moving France further into Washington's orbit, Mr. Afanasyev wrote: "Will the allegiance of France to the Atlantic alliance grow into Atlantism?" "This is dangerous both for France and for peace in Europe," he said.

Publication of today's article coincided with the departure of Mr. Mitterrand for the United States for a meeting with President Reagan that is expected to underline a joint stand on East-West relations and the defence of Western Europe.

At the same time Mr. Afanasyev praised the French Communist Party's policy of peaceful co-existence, inter-national cooperation and world It was also deeply critical of the French leader's stand on the Afghanistan question which Paris

Dutch queen appoints two mediators

THE HAGUE, Oct. 17 (A.P.) Queen Beatrix today appointed two economy proessors, to mediate in the

Dutch government crisis. The two mediators, Prof. Willem de Galan and Prof. Victor Halberstadt, were given the task of getting the administ-

ration back on track again. Earlier, the queen had received former labour finance minister Willem Duisenberg and asked him for the job. But Mr. Duisenberg, declined because it would conflict with

The article clearly indicated that Moscow now feels its deep reservations of Mr.

tions with Moscow

Mitterrand--hinted at before his election last May -- have been fulfilled. Mr. Afanasyev is a full member of the Soviet policy-making central committee and his article, the

Reagan aide

says missile

plans raise

war risks

war more likely.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (R) -One of President Reagan's top defence advisers bas said that the

administration's new nuclear

defence programme made atomic

of Mr. Reagan's general advisory

committee on arms control, said

the decision to deploy about 36

M.X. missiles in existing silos

rather than making them mobile

invited a Soviet first strike.

William van Cleave, chairman

sees as an obstacle to normal rela-

second in a two-part series on France under Mr. Mitterrand. its attack on the French-built atomic reactor in lraq. clearly represented Kremlin French leaders for their refusal to Mr. Afanasyev said that despite earlier pledges to work for the

continue with normal relations with the Soviet Union while Soviet dismantling of military blocs Mr. troops remained in Afghanistan.

Greece awaits polls to turn left or right

votes in general elections tomor-ATHENS, Oct. 17 (R) -Greece's Conservative govrow.

The outcome could affect ernment and its Socialist chal-Greek membership of NATO and engers today both forecast victory for themselves when the country the European Common Market (EEC).

Mitterrand and his Prime Minister

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hinted at Moscow's regret that

French Communists in gov-

ernment were wielding little influ-

The Pravda article described

Mr. Mitterrand's attitude towards

Israel as "rather contradictory"

saying he had shown open sym-

pathy for Israel while condemning

Mr. Afanasyev also criticised

ence over foreign policy.

The opposition Socialist Party (PASOK) of Prof. Andreas Papandreou has called for Greece to withdraw from NATO's military wing and to vote in a referendum on whether to stay in the EEC.

Campaigning ended last night when a woman was injured by a bomb which exploded under the car of PASOK deputy leader Ionnis Alevras.

Opinion polls published by newspapers supporting Prime Minister George Rallis's New Democratic Party said it had a lead of eight per cent over PASOK.

Opposition newspapers gave the Socialists 68 per cent of the vote and 180 of the 300 seats in parliament compared with 35 per cent for New Democracy.

He told Reuters that the deci-In the previous parliament, New Democracy had 177 seats sion -- part of a \$180 billion and PASOK 94. strategic package -- left America's Also at stake are 24 seats in the land-based nuclear missiles vul-

European parliament. nerable to attack by Soviet war-The Republican Party platform on which Mr. Reagan was elected pledged not to let this happen.

Under the circumstances, the powerful and highly accurate Thatcher yielded nothing to her step in to bail out companies in M.X. could be only a first-strike critics in the m Party, commentators agreed today as they summed up after the repeated ber government's comparty's annual conference here. mitment to the European Com-But they differed over what this mon Market and the NATO indicates. alliance and strongly defended the Britain's leading business daily the Financial Times said she deployment of American nuclear "made no attempt to bring the party together" and predicted: Mrs. Thatcher's days as leader of the Tory Party are now numbered. Either she takes her cabinet seriously or some of them will begin to

vador's military leaders not to Thatcher sticks to monetarism

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for talks, U.S. senator claims

El Salvador factions ready

Nancy Reagan in fancy dress

BLACKPOOL, Oct. 17 (Agen- mistaken belief that come what could be seized by the new alliance cies) - Prime Minister Margaret may the government would always of the Social Democratic and Liberal parties.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Bruno Kreisky won't attend Cancun

VIENNA, Oct. 17 (R) - Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky has cancelled plans to attend the North-South summit in Cancin, Mexico, upon the advice of his doctors, his private secretary has announced. The secretary, Wolfgang Petritsch, said the doctors had recommended the cancellation because the chancellor had been suffering from bronchitis for two weeks and had been treated with antibiotics. The change to a sub-tropical climate and the higher altitue of Cancun would be too strenuous for the 70. vear-old chancellor, they said. Dr. Kreisky, who was to have co-chaired the North-South summit with Mexican President Jose Lopez Portillo, will be substituted by Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, Mr. Petritsch said. The Austrian delegation would now be headed by Foreign Minister Wilibald Pahr.

U.S., Brazil talk on uranium supplies

come to a "satisfactory understanding" on the supply of enriched uranium for Brazil's nuclear power programme, a foreign ministry spokesman has said. The spokesman, who gave no further details, said the understanding was reached during talks Friday between U.S. Vice-president George Bush and interim Brazilian President Aureliano Chaves. The U.S. agreed to supply enriched uranium for the first Brazilian nuclear reactor in the early 1970s. but legislation was later imposed limiting the supply to foreign countries as part of a nuclear non-poliferation policy. However, dinlomatic sources in Brasilia said the U.S. tegulations on the supply of enriched uranium to other countries could be changed within 12 months, Brazil has not signed the non-poliferation treaty.

France rejects torture allegations

PARIS, Oct. 17 (A.P.) — The French government has "most categorically rejected" accusations that four Armenian terrorists arrested after seizing the Turkish consulate in Paris had been tortured, a spokesman of the external relations ministry said. The spokesman, who declined to be named, was replying to questions after issuing a statement following accusations from the underground Armenian Secret Army for the Liberation of Armenia (ASALA) in Beirut that the French government had "broken its promises" made when the terrorists surrendered early Sept. 25. ASALA warned it would "strike hard" against France because of the alleged torture. The ministry spokesman said that the govroment "made no promises during the negotiations" to end the

Judges withdraw from Turkes trial

ANKARA, Oct. 17 (R) - The trial of extreme right-wing politician Alpaslan Turkes, charged with trying to set up a dictatorship, was adjourned here yesterday after two of the three military judges resigned. The judges withdrew from the case Friday after two days of stormy courtroom rows which also involved the military prosecutor and defence attorneys. Legal sources said the military court of appeals was considering what action to take to restart proceedings, which involve 301 defendants, 220 of whom. including Mr. Turkes, are on trial for their lives. Mr. Turkes, a 64-year-old ex-colonel, was deputy prime minister twice in the 1970s when his extreme right-wing Nationalist Movement Party (NMP) held the balance of power. He and other NMP leaders are accused of establishing armed youth wings to overthrow the state of force.

the El Salvador government and anti-government guerrilla leaders were willing to hold informal talks with no preconditions. Sen. Christopher Dodd told a press conference that during his three-day visit to El Salvador and Mexico this week both sides gave him commitments to hold such a

postcard shows Nancy Reagan as a queen.

dialogue But the Connecticut Democrat said the dialogue could develop only if the United States used its influence to persuade El Sal-

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (R) -

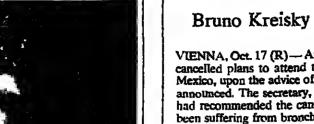
A. U.S. senator has said that both

prominent Christian Democrats in

"The Christian Democrats as well as the guerrillas are frightened as to what the reaction of the military would be if such conversations were to commence. And it becomes at this point this administration's responsibility to exercise leverage on the military ... to allow that dialogue to pro-

ceed," he said. Salvador's President Jose Napoleon Duarte has previously said he would talk with guerrilla leaders about arrangements for national elections only if they first laid down their arms.

The State Department had no immediate comment on Mr. Dodd's remarks.



BRASILIA, Oct. 17 (R) - The United States and Brazil bave



kilometre radius of Salisbury, the Zimbabwe capital.

They were also instructed to limit embassies and consulates to a maximum staff of 20 diplomats. although this ceiling was said to be "nceotiable."

The restrictions were ordered on a day when the 17-month socialist government published emergency powers enabling the minister of home affairs, Richard Hove, to ban political meetings.

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Mr. Hove told journalists the previous day the government was alarmed at a recent upsurge in political activity by opposition minority politicians and what he termed "near-subversive" statements against the government.

Prime Minister Robert Mugabe, who lcd the former white-ruled British colony of Rhodesia to independence as black-governed Zimhabwe April 18 last year, has threatened to "punish" opposition leaders guilty of "subversion".

He has also warned he might have to detain his predecessor, Bishop Abel Muzorewa, for alleged links with antigovernment saboteurs being trained in neighbouring whiteruled South Africa -- a charge the bishop has repeatedly denied.

of the Dutch central bank.

his new functions as president

60 trapped miners feared dead in Japan

YUBARI, Japan, Oct. 17 (R) -Poisonous gas, fire and dense smoke today stopped rescuers reaching the bodies of 60 men trapped 650 metres underground in a mine disaster.

Thirty three bodies have already been recovered from the coal mine near Sapporo on Hok- . kaido Island in northern Japan.

The dead include 10 rescuers who went into the mine after it filled with methane gas yesterday. Conditions inside the privately-owned mine foiled two attempts to reach the missing miners today.

A company spokesman said they could not be saved. "I am very, very sorry but 1 have to admit there is no hope for any more survivors," he told sobbing relatives.

weapon capable of destroying Soviet warbeads in a surprise launch.

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Mr. van Cleave said the Reagan programme made it more likely that the United States would adopt a strategic posture known as "launch on warning" - launching its missiles after U.S. early warnings satellites signal a Soviet attack, before they can be destroyed by the Soviet missiles.

He described launch on warning as a "terrible" policy because attack warning signals are often ambiguous and a president might hesitate to launch U.S. missiles until it was too late.

He said the policy also could lead to accidental nuclear war if machinery malfunctions produced false warning signals, as they have

done several times in the past. -Meanwhile, U.S. Navy Secretary John Lehman has said he believed the U.S. Navy would meet its goal of expanding to 600 ships and 15 carrier groups by 1989 despite president Reagan's spending cuts.

Mr. Lehman said Pentagon budget cuts of \$13 billion dollars next year and \$27 billion dollars over three years were large and meant the navy would have to drop some non-essentials.

talk of deposition." It named Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington, leader of the House of Commons Francis Pym,. Environment Secretary Michael Heseltine and Northern Ireland Secretary James Prior as those against her.

Mrs. Thatcher is half way through a five-year term with her popularity in the country at an all time low. But she said in a key note address on the final day of the conference yesterday that she will not turn back from tight money policies which party dissidents say spell electoral defeat.

Among these causes of unemployment were huge wage increases unmatched by higher output, restrictive trade union practices, overmanning, strikes, indifferent management and "the

missiles on British soil. "We in Britain cannot honourably sheller under the American nuclear umbrella and simultaneously say to our American friends: You may defend our

In her speech, Mrs. Thatcher

homes with your home-based missiles, but you may not base those missiles anywhere near our homes. This delighted rank and file

Conservatives, as did Mrs. Thatcher's pledge to maintain law and order "at a time of growing danger for all who cherish and believe in freedom."

Her government would continue its programme of denationalising state-subsidised industries. Giant nationalised monopolies, she said, were still bolding private business to ransom.

Mrs. Thatcher was interrupted when three hecklers broke into the conference hall from a large demonstration by unemployed people in the streets outside. She ended with a rallying cry

over the heads of ber critics to grass roots supporters of her policies: "Nothing is beyond this nation," she said. "Decline is not inevitable."

Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor of the Exchequer (Finance minister), had already signalled the government's intention to stand firm.

And Mrs. Thatcher has unleashed her new employment secretary, right-winger Norman Tebbit, on the trades unions. Mr. Tebbit, a tough-talking

former airline pilot with a flair for a menacing turn of phrase, announced he would soon unveil legislation to curb the powers of the unions.

One curb he has in mind, party sources said, was a ban on the closed shop, the practice of requiring employers to hire only union labour.

over the government's recently announced limit of four per cent for public sector employees in the new round of pay negotiations just

started. The underlying fear of all the ministers and the party dissidents is that, with the two main parties, Conservative and Labour, increasingly polarised to the extreme right and left, the rich electoral pickings of the centre ground

Mr. Edward Heath fears the left-wing Labour Party could be let in by a defection of the Conservative vole to the SDP-Liberal alliance, leading to such radical socialist policies as unilateral nuclear disarmament, withdrawal from the European Economic Community, broad nationalisation of industry, and possible withdrawal from the atlantic alliance.

The Conservative party bolds its annual leadership election next month and there have been mutterings by some members of parliament that a challenger might be

fielded against her. Rejection of Mrs. Thatcher would mean a general election, and with the present unpopularity of the Conservative Party, it seems unlikely that anyone would want to risk that.

Khmer Rouge claims ambush of Soviets

BANGKOK, Oct. 17 (A.P.) — The ousted Khmer Rouge regime has claimed its guerrillas killed or wounded Soviet advisers in a recent ambush along Cambodia's Highway Four which links the capital of Phnom Penh with the country's major seaport. The radio report, monitored in Bangkok, said four vehicles carrying the Soviet advisers were burned. It claimed that among the dead was a major of the Soviet army.

· Rev. Moon guilty of tax-evasion

NEW YORK, Oct. 17 (R) - The Rev. Sun Myung Moon, the Korean Evangelist whose two million-strong Unification Church has stirred controversy around the world, has been indicted by the U.S. government on tax evasion charges. The Rev. Moon, 61. was accused by a federal grand jury here of failing to report \$112,000 interest from bank accounts between 1973 and 1975 and also failing to report income from stocks.

Science gets around to Arthur C. Clarke

By Granville Watson

COLOMBO - Space exploration caught up with Arthur C. Clarke, the doyen of science fiction writers.

The British-born author, who lives in Sri Lanka, is writing a sequel to his hit film "2001: A Space Odyssey" and is avidly following the achievements of the U.S. spacecraft Voyages I to Saturn and beyond.

"In the film story 2001 we went to Saturn and I never dreamed that within 12 years a spacecraft would be there in reality," Mr. Clarke told Reuters.

Mr. Clarke said he had received a million-dollar advance for the sequel to "2001" which he hopes to have completed next year. He thought it was a record amount for science fiction.

"I am working night and day on the oew book," said the autbor, who is also scientist and inventor. While working as a radar officer with the British Royal Air Force in World War 11 he dreamed of the possibility of a space communications satellite orbiting the earth.

He set out the idea in an article for a science magazine but failed to copyright it and reckons he thereby lost a billion dollars.

But Mr. Clarke is not doing too bad despite that mistake.

He has written more than 50 books which have sold 20 million copies in 30 languages, and now lives the life of a patrician, courted by NASA spece scientists, publishers and film-makers.

American director Stanely Kubrick, who made the film version of 2001, was a prime mover in getting Mr. Clarke to write the sequel. "He said you've got to write the book or else. I

sent him an outline, and suddenly 1 realised 1 wanted to write it," Mr. Clarke said.

Coming to Sri Lanka more than 2 years ago in search of good underwater diving, he decided to . stay.

"I like to relax and enjoy myself." he explained." "Mr. Clarke was giving away no secrets about his new work. "I don't like talking about things." before I write about them," he said.

Mr. Clarke has a laboratory and library in his large Colombo house which would be the envy of any scientist.

On the spacious lawns he bas his own small hover-craft to ferry his guest around.

Before television came to Sri Lanka several years ago, Mr. Clarke was the only citizen to receive T.V. pictures from neighbouring India, and arrangement made by a grateful Indian gov ernmeot which set up special antennae in his gar -den so he could receive Indian T.V. programmes It was the Indian government's way of thanking him for helping to set up experiments for beaming satellite T.V. programmes to Indian villages. How does Mr. Clarke visualise man's future in space?

"I see the world as the bub of a wheel with people living on spokes of the wheel," he says "People will move to the planets on a kind of moving staircase".

Then Mr. Clarke played three notes on the piano with one finger - the notes from the theme music of 2001.

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Greek community in Turkey on the wane

ISTANBUL, Oct. 17 (R) - While Greece votes in a general election tomorrow, a handful of elderly Greeks will gather for worship as usual in the gloomy, con-lined church of St. George in Istanbul.

The church is attached to the orthodox patriarchate, a shabby complex tucked away in the upper reaches of the Golden Horn waterway between shipyards, warehouses and slums.

The faithful who regularly attend the Sunday service belong to the dwindling Greek minority in Turkey, a small part of the 200 million Eastern Orthogox Christian community whose spiritual leader, Patriarch Dimitrios I, is based here.

Community members, who have known hard times among the Turks in the past, say they do not really care who wins the Greek election as long as it does not harm the climate of comparative goodwill now extending across the Aegean Sea.

When bilateral relations are good, there is no tension bere, they say. But when relations are disturbed anything can happen.

Greeks and Turks lived side-by-side for centuries under the Ottoman empire in Anatolia, the Balkans, the Aegean Islands, Cyprus and Crete after Turkish tribes spread in from the East into areas which were once home for the ancient Greeks.

Their different religions and cultures -- the Byzanline Orthodox Christianity of the Greeks and the Oriental Islamic traditions of the Turks -- made them uncomfortable neighbours. This century they finally split into separate, often hostile, camps.

Most of the Greeks quit Turkish soil as part of population exchanges after World War one, when Greek and Turkish armies were at cach other's throats.

Hostility between the Greek and Turkish Cypriots, which erupted in the 1550s and 1960s provoked anti-Greek riots in Istanbul, driving thousands of Ginet to emigrate. At the height of the Cyprus righting in 1964 Turkey expelled 12,000 Greek nationals.

A steady trickle of Greek emigrants still leave as church and community leaders complain of discrimination by Turkish bureaucracy. Church officials pointed to the imposition of taxes on Greek community schools, churches and welfare associations, a measure also applied to Jewish and Armenian communities.

Although the Turkish government promised to remove the taxes three years ago. is had still not done so. they said.

The six Greek high schools and 14 priory schools in Istanhul, home for most Greeks in Turkey, are closely supervised by the Turkish education ministry. The schools must have a Turkish deputy headmaster appointed by

local education authorities and lessons must be beld in Turkish.

The 67-year-old Patriarcb Dimitrios 1 was chosen for the office in 1972 although be was a junior bishop. The Turkish government exercised its traditional power and vetoed the more senior candidates, the officials said.

The Turkish population is now 99 per cent Muslim and in recent years Islamic Fundamentalist youth groups, now banned by Turkey's military rulers, have demanded the expulsion of the Patriarch from Turkey.

Several groups have demonstrated outside the patriarchate and more than once broke into the courtyard and damaged property. But church officials insist that their headquarters will not move from Turkey.

The patriarchate of Constantinople (the old name for Istanbul) has traditionally been "first among equals" of the many national and independent Eastern Orthodox Churches around the world.

Other elderly Greeks have no desire to leave Turkey." I will never leave," says Stefan Papadopoulos, 58, editor of the newspaper Apoyevmaini (Afternoon).

Like many Greek establishments the newspaper's fortunes have declined. Its Greek circulation, which was 18,000 when it first appeared 58 years ago, is now 1,500. But many of the Greeks who remain are professionals and businessmen.

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The unions are already seething